

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF SARGENT, NEBRASKA  
Special Session  
Sargent Community Center  
February 23, 2009**

The Mayor and Council of the City of Sargent, Nebraska, met in Special Session at the Sargent Community Center on the 23<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2009, at 6:30 p.m. Notice of the meeting was posted at the City Office, U. S. Post Office, First National Bank, Sargent Community Center and Sargent Corner Market on Friday, February 13, 2009. The following were present: Mayor Bernard Griebel; Council Members: Jan Oeltjen, Tim Leibert, and Mick Kozeal. Also present were City Administrator/Utility Superintendent, Mike Criss; and Deputy City, Jessica Decker. Council Member Bob Nitchie arrived at 6:35

Mayor Griebel publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted on the east wall of the meeting room in the Sargent Community Center. Mayor Griebel called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Council Member Oeltjen moved to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Leibert seconded. Voting yea: Council Members Oeltjen, Leibert, and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Absent: Council Member Nitchie. Motion carried.

Council Member Kozeal made the motion to enter into closed session for the purpose of discussing Steve Conner's Economic Development Reuse Application. Council Member Leibert seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Absent: Council Member Nitchie. Motion carried. The Council adjourned into closed session at 6:35 p.m. Council Member Nitchie arrived at 6:35 p.m.. The Council reconvened into regular session at 7:15 p.m.

Council Member Kozeal moved that the City of Sargent deny the loan application made by Steve Conner doing business as Conner Construction through the Economic Development Reuse Program. Council Member Leibert seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie, and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Judy Peterson with Central Nebraska Housing Developers was not present to explain the Housing Study grant but asked that the information be given to the Council Members. Deputy Clerk, Jessica Decker, relayed to the Council that Judy asked that they review the study that had been provided to them. It was indicated that other communities stood as follows: Ansley had not voted yet, but liked it; Arnold was going to go with the study; Callaway had not decided; and Judy would be speaking to Broken Bow the following day. The purpose of this study was to prepare our community for other grant opportunities as they became available. Council Member Oeltjen moved that the City of Sargent participate in the Housing Study for Custer County that would include Sargent at the cost of \$550.00. Council Member Leibert seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried.

Council Member Oeltjen moved that the meeting adjourn. Council Member Leibert seconded. Voting yea: Oeltjen, Leibert, Nitchie and Kozeal. Voting nay: none. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.

Kathy Drake, City Clerk

Ben Griebel, Mayor